## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 436**

## By Floyd

A RESOLUTION to recognize David Norton for his meritorious service to the State of Tennessee.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those public servants who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of industry; and

WHEREAS, David Norton is one such estimable person who has served with distinction as a member and chairman of the Utility Management Review Board (UMRB); and

WHEREAS, an original member of the Utility Management Review Board, David Norton was first appointed in 1987 by Governor Ned McWherter and has served with acumen and alacrity, winning the respect and admiration of his colleagues and the good people of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, elected chair of the UMRB on August 2, 2001, Mr. Norton was appointed to his last term by Governor Bill Haslam on November 16, 2011, and later resigned on June 14, 2012, after approximately twenty-five years of distinguished public service; and

WHEREAS, born on September 29, 1946, David Norton is a 1964 graduate of Red Bank
High School and holds a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of TennesseeChattanooga and a Juris Doctorate from Memphis State Law School; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the years he spent in private practice from 1977 to 1984, Mr.

Norton has also rendered sterling service as a city judge in Soddy-Daisy, commissioner on the Hixson Utility District, and Assistant Hamilton County Attorney; and

WHEREAS, licensed to practice law in all courts in the State of Tennessee, Mr. Norton is also licensed to practice in the Federal District Court of the Eastern District of Tennessee and the United States Bankruptcy Court; and

WHEREAS, David Norton is an esteemed member of the Tennessee Bar Association, the Chattanooga Bar Association, the Tennessee Trial Lawyers Association, and the Tennessee County Attorneys Association; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Norton is a member of the Board of Directors of League Central Credit Union, and he served as an adjunct professor at Edmondson Junior College from 1982 to 1984; and

WHEREAS, a devoted father of three children, David Norton exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, David Norton has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of the citizens of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor David Norton on his meritorious service to the State of Tennessee and extend to him our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.